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1. JAMES G. BUCKLEY, NEW UNITED AIRLINES DIRECTOR OF SALES FOR SOUTHEAST ASIA WHO WILL BE RESIDENT IN BANGKOK, ON MARCH 7 DISCUSSED WITH RANKING THAI INTERNATIONAL OFFICIALS POSSIBILITY OF COOPERATIVE ARRANGEMENT ON TOKYO-SEATTLE SERVICE BEGINNING IN SEPTEMBER 1978. PRESENT SCHEME IS FOR UNITED AND THAI INTERNATIONAL TO OPERATE TWO ROUND TRIPS EACH PER WEEK.

2. WITH REGARD ROUTE AUTHORIZATION, BUCKLEY TOLD EMBOFFS THAT U.S. CAB HAS RECOMMENDED GRANT OF SEATTLE-TOKYO ROUTE TO UNITED BUT THAT PRESIDENT HAS NOT YET APPROVED AND JAPANESE CAB IS OPPOSED. HE SAID UNITED'S LONG-TERM OBJECTIVE IN SEEKING ROUTE INTO TOKYO IS BELIEF THAT PRC OFFICIALS CONSIDER PAN AMERICAN AND NORTHWEST ORIENT "PERSONA NON GRATA," BUT WOULD BE PREPARED TO WELCOME SERVICE BY UNITED TO PEKING.

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3. WITH REGARD THAI INTERNATIONAL'S ROUTE ASPIRATIONS, BUCKLEY SAID THAI OFFICIALS TOLD HIM THEY DO NOT HAVE EQUIPMENT TO EXPAND OPERATIONS AT PRESENT TIME BUT THAT THEY EXPECT TO HAVE ADEQUATE AIRCRAFT, PROBABLY TWO BOEING 747'S, BY JANUARY OR FEBRUARY 1979. IN MEANTIME, ACCORDING BUCKLEY, HE HOPES TO REACH PASSENGER AND CARGO INTER-LINE AGREEMENT WITH THAI INTERNATIONAL. BUCKLEY

SAID THAI INTER OFFICIALS DISCUSSED THIS POSSIBILITY WITH
UNITED EXECUTIVES IN THE U.S. IN FEBRUARY (REFTEL.
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